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status that the bill of individual senators, not included among the sponsors of those other 13, will not have. I had offered a motion to take it off the agenda. But there is some question about exactly when that type of motion would be considered. And since it has not been resolved, I didn't want to have a rules struggle today, but I can still raise the issues that I think are crucial here. We need to look at what kind of precedent is being established. LB 1175 started out purporting to be what they call a technical cleanup bill. Several of these bills that are to be added don't even have a committee statement so we don't know who spoke for or against them, maybe there was no opposition, but we don't know. Senator Bohlke did hand out a committee statement on LB 1175 and on page 7 of that statement is a listing of the bills which would be added by way of this committee amendment to LB 1175 if the Legislature stands for it. The bills for which I could find no committee statement are the following: LB 1008, LB 1031, LB 1123, LB 1133, LB 1159, LB 1197, LB 1210, LB 1301, LB 1302, LB 1304, LB 1344, and there might be some fiscal notes attached to some of these bills, but I didn't have time to check that out. But if a bill has a fiscal note, then there ought to be an opportunity to know exactly what money is being spent for and an explanation given of that bill. Each one of these items contained in one of these bills was felt by the introducer to be sufficiently significant to offer a bill. Not one of these will be discussed as an individual bill would be discussed. They are put before us in a grouping. And even though we will take time on this bill, if you do decide to take it up in this form, there is going to be a limited opportunity to discuss the bill overall. Here's where the strategy is so beautiful in doing this. You could try to get structured debate which I doubt would happen because I don't believe they could get 33 votes to have this considered with the limited amount of time. After eight hours, they could try to get cloture. Maybe they could and maybe they couldn't. But by having to take each individual bill, they would have to jump through that hurdle on each one of these bills if the body felt it were not worthy. When we have to discuss all of these bills in the context of one committee amendment, there is the possibility of members becoming saturated with the discussion and just spacing it off and not wanting to be involved. But I'm looking at the process and I discussed this earlier in the session. Senator Wesely, my young sea-mate to my left who, by